

United States Attorney Northern District of New York

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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announced that DAVID ROSENBERG, age 53, of Chase Mills, New York, was sentenced in federal court today following his guilty plea to federal child exploitation charges involving his receipt and possession of child pornography obtained over the Internet.

The investigation began in March, 2008, when the New York State Police found that through the use of peer to peer file sharing software ROSENBERG was offering child pornography for distribution from his computer. A search warrant later executed at ROSENBERG's residence resulted in the seizure of a computer and two external hard drives which contained several thousand images and video files containing child pornography. A second search conducted in December, 2008 at another residence occupied by ROSENBERG resulted in the seizure of hundreds of additional images of child pornography.

Today ROSENBERG was sentenced by United States District Court Judge Hon. David N. Hurd to a term of 210 months in federal prison, to be followed by lifetime supervision. In addition, and by federal law, ROSENBERG must register as a sex offender.

ROSENBERG'S arrest was the result of an investigation by the Oneida County Child Advocacy Center and the Utica, New York Police Department as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov. The prosecution was handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lisa Fletcher, who can be reached at 448-0672.